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FOR: PURIFICATION OF FINELY DIVIDED, PYROGENICALLY

PREPARED METAL OXIDE PARTICLES

## <u>AMENDMENT</u>

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Advisory Action dated January 13, 2009, in further response to the Final Rejection dated October 7, 2008, and further to the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) filed herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.